

**REMARKS**

The Notice of Allowability, mailed June 22, 2006, included an Examiner's Amendment in which dependent claims 32 and 33 were amended similarly to amendments made to independent claims 24-25 and 30-31 in order to remove the term "biphasic" from the claim language. These amendments were made in confirmation of a previous telephone conference in which the undersigned representative of the Applicants authorized the removal of the term "biphasic" from these claims. Claims 32 and 33 are dependent claims and their language is slightly different than that of independent claims 24-25 and 30-31.

Upon being contacted by telephone, the Examiner instructed Applicants to submit an Amendment under Rule 312 (37 C.F.R. 1.312) amending the claims. Applicants wish to thank the Examiner accordingly.

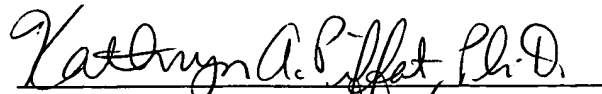
Applicants hereby submit the present Amendment after Notice of Allowance under 37 C.F.R. 1.312 and request amendment of dependent claims 32 and 33 in keeping with their dependent status.

This above-described amendment is only of a minor technical nature in comparison with the Examiner's Amendment, and it is respectfully submitted that the above-described amendment does not involve the introduction of new matter. Further, the above-described amendment is being submitted prior to payment of the issue fee for the subject application. As such, it is requested that the foregoing amendment to the claims be entered into the subject application pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.312. It is also respectfully submitted that the application is still in a condition for allowance.

Although it is not believed that any fee is required to consider this submission, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge our deposit account no. 04-1105 should any fee be deemed necessary.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: July 24, 2006

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Kathryn A. Piffat, Ph.D.", is written over a horizontal line.

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